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MRS. BECKER PLEADS WITH WHITMAN TO REPRIEVE HUSBAND UNTIL OCTOBER

VON MACKENSEN REPULSED IN THREE FURIOUS ATTACKS; TOWNS TAKEN, SAY RUSSIANS

Desperate Fighting Reported on Whole Line Between Wierp and Bug Rivers.

RETAKING LOST TRENCHES.

Petrograd War Office Says German Wave Is Breaking Fruitlessly on Russians.

PETROGRAD, July 29.—Russian arms withstood three furious attacks by Field Marshal von Mackensen's German troops near Hrubieszow, and by a brilliant counter offensive swept forward irresistibly recapturing three villages from the enemy. The official war office statement to-day related this incident to show that the German wave was breaking fruitlessly on the solid rock of Russian defense.

The enemy continued to attack practically throughout the territory from the Wierp to the Bug. It was on Wednesday night that the Russians captured the villages of Rakolup, Majdan and Ostrowsky, with a total of 1,500 German prisoners. Continuing the War Office says:

"Persistent enemy attacks continue north of Stepankowitze. We repulsed three furious attacks designed to break our front, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy."

"South of Sokal (Galicia) we repulsed the enemy, who crossed the Potourzhitsa on Wednesday morning. In these actions we took numerous prisoners. The enemy has brought up reinforcements."

"Fighting of severest intensity continues on the Upper Bug, marked by heavy artillery firing. Along the Narow the enemy is attacking also with heavy artillery."

"In the vicinity of the mouth of the Iskwa, a portion of the enemy captured our trenches. Counter-attacking with bayonet charges, we repulsed him."

"On the right bank of the Narow the enemy's offensive is fruitless." The statement added that there were no material changes elsewhere along the front.

GERMANS REPORT RUSSIANS BEATEN ALONG THE NAROW

BERLIN, July 29.—The following report was given out to-day at the War Office:

"The situation north of the River Niemen remains unchanged. To the northeast of Suwalki, along both sides of the railroad to Orlita, our troops have occupied a portion of the enemy position, capturing 2,916 prisoners and two machine guns."

"Last night the Russians delivered repeated attacks against our front south of the River Narow and south of Nasielsk. All these endeavors failed with heavy losses to the enemy. To the west of Novo Georgiewsk, on the south bank of the Vistula, we captured 128 Russians."

"In the district to the southwest of Gorakalwarya Russian forces on the night of July 27 attempted to advance in a westerly direction. Yesterday we attacked them and drove them back."

"In the southeastern theatre of the war the situation with regard to the German troops is generally unchanged."

SINCLAIR TOUSEY, MUCH IN LITIGATION, IS KILLED BY GAS

Coroner Asserts Publisher Met Death Accidentally in Home in Yonkers.

WIFE FINDS HIS BODY.

Had Gone Into Voluntary Bankruptcy Only Two Weeks Ago.

Mrs. Anna Raynor Tousey, wife of Sinclair Tousey, a publisher, found her husband dead at his desk in his study when she entered their home at No. 596 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, late yesterday afternoon. The jet of a gas lamp above the desk was open and the room was filled with gas. Mr. Tousey's collar and necktie had been removed and were hanging across the key of the gas jet.

Coroner James T. Dunn found the key was loose and gave a certificate of death from "asphyxiation, probably accidental."

Sinclair Tousey filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy two weeks ago in which he stated his liabilities at \$149.55 and assets \$565 cash and 250 shares of Frank Tousey, publisher, value unknown. The stock was held in escrow by the Lincoln Trust Company as executor of the will of George Gordon Hastings as collateral for a note of \$44,501 due in 1916. He had recently undertaken to launch a new humorous publication in this city.

A brother of Frank Tousey and a nephew of Sinclair Tousey for many years President of the American News Company, most of Mr. Tousey's fifty-four years were spent in the publishing business. He was involved in the litigation over the estate of Mrs. Margaretta Todd, mother of the wife of his brother Frank, who died in 1905 under circumstances which, he charged, suggested that she had been poisoned when there was a will bequeathing her property outside of her family. Mr. Tousey was never able to establish that she had not died from natural causes. He had serious business differences a year ago with his niece, Miss Norma Hastings, who shared with him the ownership of the Frank Tousey dime novel publishing business, charging in the courts unsuccessfully that she conspired to make the business unprofitable so that he could not pay off the note held by her father's estate.

Dropped Dead Running for Train. Cecil Murray, sixteen years old, employed by Gimbel Brothers in Manhattan, dropped dead as he was running for a train near the Bay Side Station of the Long Island Railroad this morning. He lived with his parents on Bay Side Boulevard.

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GAMBLING JOINT RUNS 'WIDE OPEN' ON SIXTH AVENUE

Name of Becker Witness Is Said to Protect "Dollar John's" Place.

POLICEMEN IGNORE IT.

Jacob Luban Said to Have Asked District Attorney to Prevent "Persecution."

Two men who figured in the Becker case, one by offering to appear as a witness for the prosecution and the other by remaining out of the jurisdiction of the court when he was wanted, have been conducting a wide open gambling house at No. 174 Sixth Avenue for weeks past, and one of them a short time ago sought the protection of District Attorney Charles A. Perkins for his venture on the plea that he was being persecuted by the police. "Dollar John" Langer, or Langerman, has been backing the place, and Jacob Luban, brother of Morris Luban, an important Becker case witness, is the President of the club incorporated to conduct it.

The place has been operated from noon until late every night in one of the busiest spots on Sixth Avenue under the eyes of the police, and thousands of dollars have changed hands there every day. Yesterday afternoon four hundred men were in the place when an Evening World reporter gained entrance, and until late at night the race horse gambling, stunts, poker and crap games occupied the attention of the gamblers who floated in and out of the place continually.

It is the frankly avowed declaration of the gamblers frequenting the place that it is absolutely safe from police interference because the name of Jacob Luban, a witness in the Becker case, appears as the owner of it, and to quote the words of one of them: "No cop is taking a chance nowadays by bothering one of the District Attorney's witnesses."

As a matter of fact Luban has but a very small interest in the place. "Dollar John" is the man who put up the money to start the place and he is backing it. Luban was brought in for whatever protection his name might give.

Although convicted of forgery as a second offender and under a sentence of twenty years in Sing Sing, Luban is not in jail. He is out on a certificate of reasonable doubt, and but a short time after he acted for "Dollar John" and other gamblers and incorporated the club under which the Sixth Avenue gambling house is being operated, he went to District Attorney Perkins and attempted to capitalize his value to the State as a prospective Becker case witness by insuring the gambling house against police interference.

ASKED FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S PROTECTION.

Luban told the District Attorney the police were persecuting him, "in the Sixth Avenue club, and said Mr. Perkins it was a law-abiding place against which the police could have no legitimate grievance. He was given no encouragement there, but he was able to report back to "Dollar John" that the place would not be interfered with, and it was then opened wide.

Almost every police officer on duty in the vicinity knew of the operation of the gambling house, and one detective admitted that there was no chance of acting against it, because the policemen did not want to be under suspicion of rescuing a

Wife of Condemned Policeman From Her Latest Photograph



MRS. CHARLES BECKER.

CALVIN D. VAN NAME ELECTED PRESIDENT OF RICHMOND BOROUGH

Break Their Deadlock and Aldermen Agree Upon the Former Assemblyman.

Calvin Decker Van Name, former Assemblyman, an organization Democrat, a lawyer and a resident of West Brighton, was to-day elected Borough President of Richmond, as successor to the late Charles J. McCormack. At the last moment Aldermen Charles P. Cole, John J. O'Rourke and William Fink agreed to forget whatever differences existed at the three preceding meetings, when they failed to agree, and decided to make the vote or Van Name unanimous. The meeting took place in the Aldermanic Chamber and was presided over by Mayor Mitchell.

Immediately after his election to the Borough Presidency Mr. Van Name was formally sworn in by Mayor Mitchell.

The newly elected Borough President was born in 1857 in Mariners' Harbor. He is fifty-eight years old. He attended the schools of Staten Island, studied law at the University of the City of New York and was admitted to practice at the age of twenty-one.

Mr. Van Name was elected to the Assembly in 1900, and in 1913. He

introduced the bill for the establishment of the municipal ferry between the Battery and Staten Island. As a lawyer he has devoted much of his time to a study of docking and riparian rights.

KILL ALL AMENDMENTS TO CORPORATION LAWS

Incorporation of Stock Exchange Among Proposals Rejected by Constitution Makers.

ALBANY, July 29.—The Corporation Committee of the Constitutional Convention to-day made an adverse report of all the amendments referred to it. These included the proposition to incorporate the New York Stock Exchange. Delegate Marshall declared his intention of amending the report to permit the consideration of the proposal permitting cumulative voting in stock corporations.

The Banking and Insurance Committee also killed all amendments pending before it. Among these were propositions advocating less stringent savings bank laws and giving the State Banking Department greater power over private banks.

BELGIAN SHIP SUNK BY A SUBMARINE; FOUR OF CREW LOST

LONDON, July 29.—The Belgian steamship Princess Marie Jose, of 1,953 tons gross burden, was torpedoed and sunk to-day by a German submarine.

Twenty-one members of the crew of twenty-five were saved.

WIFE AND LAWYER ASK GOVERNOR FOR STAY PENDING APPEAL TO HIGHER COURT

Mrs. Becker Goes to Albany First and Is Then Sent to Meet Whitman at Poughkeepsie Hotel.

SING SING WARDEN READY FOR EXECUTION TO-MORROW

(Special to The Evening World.) ALBANY, N. Y., July 29.—Mrs. Charles Becker and John B. Johnston of counsel to Becker came to Albany to-day to ask Gov. Whitman to grant Becker a reprieve until October in order to permit the lawyers to make plans for an appeal from Justice Ford's ruling denying Becker a new trial. Gov. Whitman had started for the State camp at Beacon when Mrs. Becker and Johnston arrived.

Gov. Whitman agreed over the long distance telephone at 3 o'clock to-day to meet Mrs. Becker and John B. Johnston of Becker's counsel at the Nelson House, Poughkeepsie, at 6 o'clock this evening. Mrs. Becker and Mr. Johnston will leave here on the 3.57 o'clock train.

Mrs. Becker will not ask the Governor to commute her husband's sentence. She will add her appeal for a reprieve to the arguments of Mr. Johnston.

A plainclothes man was put on guard at the Executive offices in the Capitol to-day, but the Governor was unguarded when he left in an automobile for Camp Whitman with his Military Secretary, Major Moore.

Not Enough Time to Answer, Says Counsel for Becker

W. Bourke Cockran, of counsel for Becker, late this afternoon gave out a statement which he said was his last word on the Becker case. In it he complains that not enough time was afforded to him and Mr. Manton to prepare an answer to the last brief filed by District Attorney Perkins; also that Justice Ford declared that no answer was necessary.

Mr. Johnston of the firm, Mr. Cockran added, went to Albany to prefer these requests:

First—That Mr. Whitman reconsider his determination to dispose of this matter himself and that he take advice of some conspicuous citizen concerning the Executive action with respect to Becker, which the highest interests of justice demand.

Second—If this request be refused, then that the Governor himself hear objections to execution of the sentence based on the record and on the additional facts embodied in the affidavits submitted to Mr. Justice Ford.

Third—That a reprieve be granted for the purpose of enabling the court of final review to decide whether Mr. Justice Ford was correct in holding that the Supreme Court has not the inherent power to set aside a judgment of death which it had been induced to render through perjury, fraud or mistake, which he admits it has to set aside a judgment for money secured through similarly corrupt methods or agencies.

Becker Writes Statement; Never Offered Guilty Plea

(Special to The Evening World.)

OSSING, July 29.—Charles Becker completed this afternoon a long statement in reply to and denying statements in a despatch from Albany, published in the newspapers, in which it was insinuated that there was something suspicious about the death of Becker's first wife, that he has refused to care for a son by his second wife, who divorced him, and that he offered at some period of the prosecution to plead guilty to murder in the second degree.

Becker went clear off his balance when he read this despatch in the morning papers. He asked for a stenographer, but this request was turned down by Warden Osborne. Becker was then furnished with paper and a pencil and started to write out what he wanted to say.

He expressed a desire to give it out for publication at once, but was persuaded by Warden Osborne to submit it to his counsel in New York. While he was in the busiest part of his writing the prison physicians visited his cell. They found him in excellent physical condition with a pulse of 78. He admitted he was nervous.

Martin T. Manton of Becker's counsel, by telephone from New York, and John F. McIntyre, also by telephone, communicated to the prison authorities just about what Becker will say in his statement. McIntyre was most